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LOK SABHA

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UNIFORM PRICES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the present rates of diesel, petrol and cooking gas in each State/Union Territory;

(b) whether the Government proposes to make the selling prices of petroleum products uniform in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

Minister of the State in the Ministry of petroleum and natural gas (Shri Dinsha Patel)

(a)to(e): The current retail selling prices of diesel, petrol and cooking gas in the State Capitals/Union Territories are given in the Annexure.

Though the basic ex-storage point prices of these petroleum products are uniform across the country, the retail selling prices vary from place to place due to the following reasons:

Freight from nearest refinery to the market

State sales tax/VAT

Other local levies like toll tax, octroi, entry tax, delivery charges, etc.

Presently, there is no proposal for making the retail selling prices of petroleum products uniform all over the country.